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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

# Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 1021 Press Mis.

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Dated 12 - 4 - 1877.

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No. 112. Read the following Endorsement of the Controller of Public Works Accounts, dated Madras, 13th March 1871, No. 2,798 :—

From the Consulting Architect to Government, to the Controller of Public Works Accounts, dated Madras, 7th March 1871, No. 121.

I HAVE the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 879, of the 28th February 1871.

2. I have returned the receipts for resubmission in proper form, and called for explanations regarding the acquittance rolls.

3. I have very little check over the expenditure going on at Madura; indeed, nothing but an after-valuation of the work as it becomes finished, and I shall feel obliged if you will from time to time point out any forms which may, in your opinion, furnish an additional check.

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Copy of letter from Controller to Government Architect, No. 879, dated 28th February 1871.

SUBMITTED for the consideration of Government, with copy of letter from this office to which the above is a reply.

2. The immediate executive charge of the Teroomalay Naick's Palace works is entrusted to "skilled artizan" Soobaroyaloo Naidoo, who, it will be observed from G. O., No. 22, dated 5th January 1871, is not on the permanent strength of the department. Although doing duty at Madura, Soobaroyaloo Naidoo is not, in any way, under the orders of the Officer in charge of the Madura Range, who simply supplies him with funds, and passes on his accounts of expenditure to this office, which has thus no guarantee either that the work charged for has been inspected, or that vouchers have been subjected to the scrutiny of a superior officer of the department. Soobaroyaloo Naidoo works under the "*general directions*" of the Government Architect at *Madras*, and the freedom from control enjoyed by the former is such as is conceded to no Overseer on the permanent establishment of the Public Works Department. Mr. Chisholm himself admits that he has "very little check over expenditure going on at Madura; indeed, nothing but an after-valuation of the work as it becomes finished."

3. Taking all the circumstances of the case into consideration, I am of opinion that, for obvious reasons, a change in Soobaroyaloo Naidoo's position is absolutely necessary. The works in progress in Madura may continue to be carried on under the general directions of the Government Architect, and be inspected by him as frequently as may be necessary and time for the purpose can be spared, but the subordinate in executive charge should, I think, work under the immediate orders of the Officer in charge of the Madura Range, and account to him for all expenditure that he may incur, promptly, and in the forms prescribed by the Manual. I am quite certain that if this course be adopted the interests of Government would be better served than under the present arrangement, and the accounts of expenditure would be furnished in the forms which are in use throughout the Presidency, instead of in the loose, unsatisfactory manner in which they are now submitted.

(Signed) S. BROCK,
*Controller of Public Works Accounts.*

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,*
*13th April* 1871.

No. 113. ORDER THEREON, 13th April 1871, No. 1,021.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 12.

THE Government agree with the Controller of Public Works Accounts in considering it of importance that the subordinate in executive charge of the repairs which are being carried out to Teroomalay Naick's Palace under the general direction of the Consulting Architect should be placed, so far as the disbursements made by him and the submission of his accounts of expenditure are concerned, under more effective control than he is at present, and His Excellency the Governor in Council accordingly approves of the suggestion that he should in those matters be considered as under the orders of the Officer in charge of the Madura Range through whom accounts in the prescribed forms should be rendered.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,

*Secretary to Government.*

To the Superintending Engineer, 8th Division.
" Controller of Public Works Accounts.
" Consulting Architect.

Exd S. T. Augustin.

Section 1 of the Manual.

2. This Overseer holds a peculiar position. He is not under the orders of the Madura Range Officer, and is still a Public Works disburser, under, I presume, your general directions. It is for this reason, and looking to the apparent freedom from control enjoyed by the Overseer during your stay at Madras, that I am anxious to have the bills for purchases made by him as a temporary member of the Department countersigned by you, to whom alone this Office and the Government can look for the exercise of that check which is necessary to insure accuracy in the charges made.

3. As it appears from the Acquittance rolls furnished to this Office that no Income

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Tax has been paid by Temporary Overseer Sooharoyaloo Naidoo during the time he has been employed on the Teroomala Naick's Palace work, I have to request that you will take measures for the early recovery of the amount due, viz. Rupees 12. 4. " , and for Income Tax being regularly paid in future.

From August to November 1870

4. I have further to request that you will be so good as to retransmit, with your countersignature, the enclosed Acquittance Rolls, and explain why two Acquittances are furnished for November and none for September 1870.

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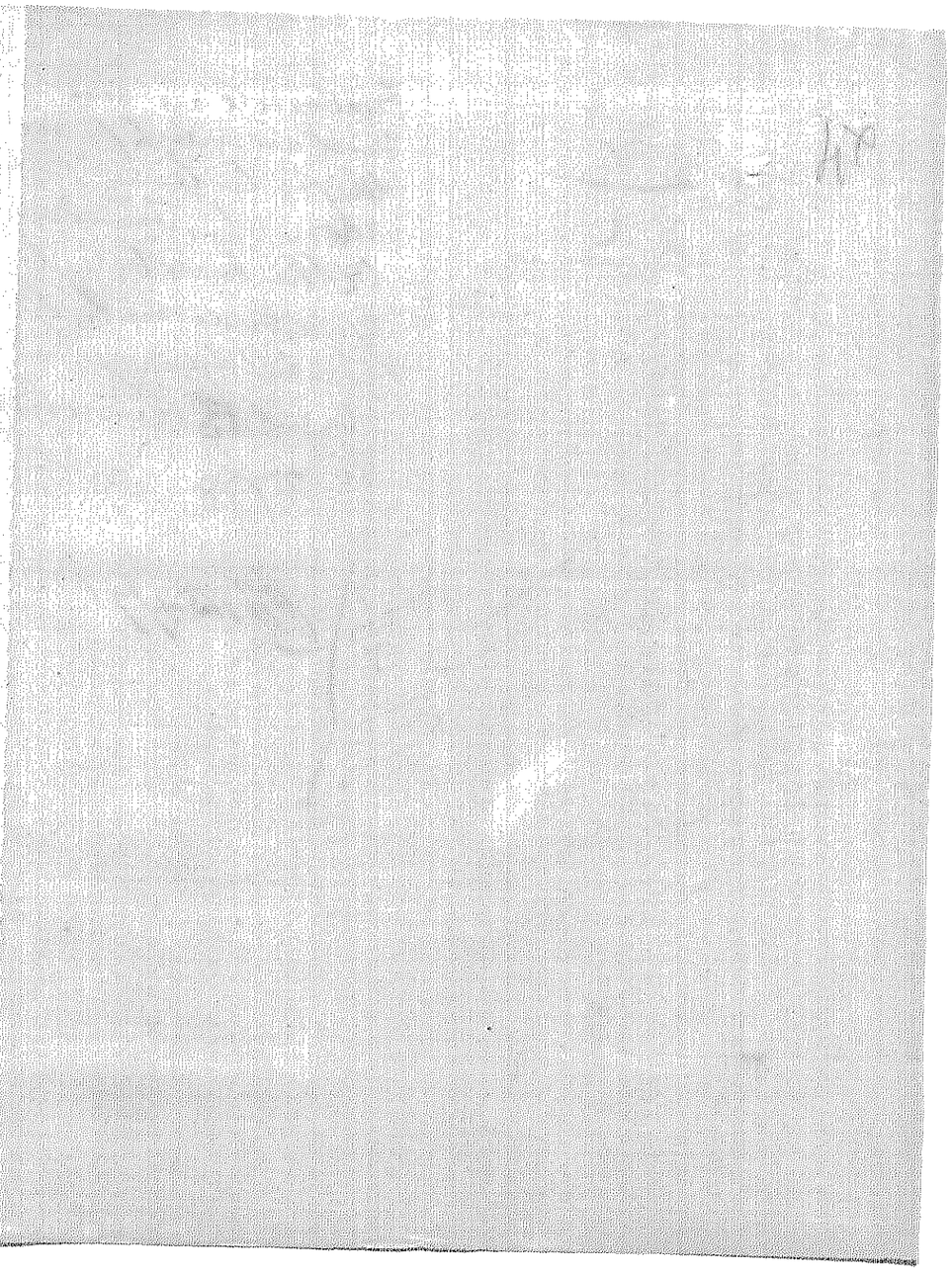
Shaw, Esq.
Sd. S. Brock.
Controller of Public Works Accounts
(True Copy)

S. Thoeff
Controller of Public Works Accounts.

No 121. Consulting Architect Delhi.



No 121. Consulting Architect's Office
Madras, 7th March 1871.

From
R. F. Chisholm, Esq
Consulting Architect to Government.

To
The Controller
P.W. Department.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No 879, of the 28th February 1871.

I have returned the receipts for resubmission in proper form and called for explanations regarding the Acquittance rolls.

I have very little check over the expenditure going on at Madura indeed nothing but an after-valuation of the work as it becomes finished

Enclosure in an endorsement from the Controller of Public Accounts, Madras, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated 13 March 1871, No 2798

P.W. 1154/71

and I shall feel obliged if you will [illegible] time [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] your [illegible] [illegible] additional [illegible].

Yours &c.
[illegible]
Consulting Architect to Government.

No. 2798

1. Submitted for the consideration of Government, with copy of letter from this Office [illegible] the above is a reply.

2. The immediate executive charge of the Tiruvadi Raichi Palace Works is entrusted to "Skilled Artizan" Sobarayalo Naidoo, who, it will be observed from

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3. Taking all the circumstances of the case into consideration, I am of opinion that, for various reasons, a change in Sabaroyalos Naidoo's position is absolutely necessary. The works in progress in Madura may continue to be carried on under the general directions of the Government Architect, and be inspected by him as frequently as may be necessary, and time for the purpose can be spared, but the subordinate in executive charge should, I think, work under the immediate orders of the officer in charge of the Madura Range, and account to him for all expenditure that he may incur promptly, and in the forms prescribed by the Manual. I am quite certain that if this course be adopted, the interests of Government would be better served than under the present arrangement, and the accounts of expenditure would be furnished in the forms which are in use throughout the Presidency, instead of in the loose,

P. W. D.

Proceedings of the Madras Government

Read the following

From 1021

The Controller of P. W. Accts. } (H. E. No. 2798 of 13th March/71)

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To
The Supg Engr. 8th Dn.
" Controller P. Jr. Accts.
" Cong Architect.

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Govt of (1871) Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To The Superintending Engr
8th Division

Dated 13th April 1871 No. 1021

Nos. 112 & 113

Teroomalay Naicks Palace.

Approving of the suggestion of the Controller of P.W. Acct. that the subordinate in charge of the repairs which are being carried out to Teroomalay Naicks Palace should be placed, so far as the disbursements & expenditure are concerned, under the orders of the Officer in charge of the Madura Range for whom the accounts should be